

0777 newsletter



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AA HOTLINE 727 847-0777

DECEMBER 2011

Unity Meeting

Wonderful Saturday Step Group hosts the monthly **Unity Meeting**, 7 PM Saturday, Dec. 17, at Redeemer Community Church, 7540 Ridge Rd., NPR, 1 mile E. of Little Rd., S. side. Come and enjoy fellowship, two speakers & dessert while supporting AA work.

January Unity Host: Amazing Grace, Saturday, Jan. 14, same time & place.

Will your group sponsor a Unity meeting? Call John C., coordinator, (727) 597-0418.

Step Twelve: Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

Tradition Twelve: Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

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PASCO BIG BOOK

NEW
EVE



YEAR'S

DINNER AND DANCE

Lakes of Regency Park

8330 Civic Drive Port Richey, FL

TICKETS \$18

Doors Open at 7:00 pm

Dinner served at 7:45 pm

Music and Dancing till midnight

Please, no children allowed

Questions: Call Bonnie F. 868-4784

Alcothons

Christmas Eve, New Years Eve

A-Club

5650 W. Missouri, NPR

meetings every two hours starting

at 8 PM.

Call A-Club @ 846-7822 to reserve a time to chair a meeting.

ALSO

**A Club Christmas Dinner 1 PM
Dec. 25. Everyone invited. Bring a covered dish if you can.**

4TH DIMENSION GROUP

PRESENTS

GUEST SPEAKER

Dick A. Lithia Springs, GA

Friday December 30th 7:00pm

Trinity Presbyterian Church of

Seven Springs

4651 Little Road, NPR, FL 34655

More Meeting Updates Pg. 5

More Alcothons, Events

Edna Ave. Club Holiday Silent Auction & Social, 7 PM Friday, Dec. 2—4 PM Sunday, Dec. 4. Food & fun 1—4 PM Sunday. Winning tickets to be drawn 3:30 PM Sunday. See calendar pg. 4 for details.

Dry Dock Alcothons start 5 PM Dec. 24 and New Years Eve and run through 7:30 AM Christmas and New Year's Day. 1733 Alt. US 19, Tarpon Springs.

Hernando-Pasco A Club Alcothons: Hourly meetings begin 8 AM Dec. 24 and Dec. 31 and run through 8 PM Christmas Day and New Year's Day. 18922 Titus Rd., County Line Industrial Park, Hudson.

District 15 News

"Many Volunteers" are needed for the first **2012 South Florida Area 15 Quarterly** Jan. 13-15 at the St. Pete Hilton. Call Barbara R., District 15 chair, at (727) 992-5175 or email district15chair@area15aa.org.

As co-hosts, we are to provide greeters and registration desk help. Hours are 4-8 pm Friday, Jan. 13, 7-9 am Saturday and 7-9 am Sunday. We get to attend great meetings, too. Our District is co-host with District 1 (Pinellas). Call Barbara to sign up for a 2-hour shift.

Barbara also needs many volunteers for the annual Florida State AA Convention Aug. 1-5, 2012, just down US Hwy 19 at Innisbrook Resort, Palm Harbor. Call her to sign up.

Flyers with information about the event are in Central Office or on line at 56.flstateconvention.com

See More District15 News pg. 5

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December Anniversaries

The Newsletter Committee is soliciting info about any AA Activities- group events, dances, picnics etc.

Submit info by 20th of the month prior to publication to: news0777@yahoo.com

Or deliver or mail to

West Pasco/
Tarpon Springs InterGroup

6611 US 19 Suite 505
New Port Richey, FL
34652

(727) 847-0777

Donation

Addresses

West Pasco/Tarpon Springs InterGroup

TREASURER

6611 US 19 Suite 505

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34652

District 15 General Service

TREASURER

P.O. Box 692

Elfers, FL 34680-0692

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Area 15 Treasurer

PO Box 650699

Vero Beach, FL 32965-0699

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PO Box 459

Grand Central Station

New York, New York
10163

NAME	YEARS	NAME	YEARS	NAME	YEARS	NAME	YEARS
3 & 11 STEP GROUP		HOW IMPORTANT IS IT		NPR KISS (Nov.)		PASCO BIG BOOK	
Jim B.	38	Harold G.	15	Darci G.	9	Erich B.	3
COTEE RIVER		KISS WOMEN'S		Joe S.	24	Doug H.	3
Karen	3	Jeanne T.	5	Debra D.	4	Ann V.	4
Jed A.	3	Noreen C.	36	Tom A.	6	Carla F.	5
GRAPEVINE		LIVING SOBER		NPR KISS (Dec.)		Fred A.	6
Fausto	15	Wayne V.	3	Jim B.	38	Lance M.	9
HAPPY JOYOUS AND FREE		Serenity		Willie G.	7	Bob M.	25
Larry	27	Larry	27	Regina F.	13	Tom McD.	30
Buddy R.	24	Buddy R.	24	WONDERFUL GROUP		TRIANGLE	
Jerry N.	14	Neil O.	22	John C.	2	Babs A.	30
Fausto P.	15	Fausto	15	John C.	2	TWO OR MORE	
Bob M..	21	TROPICAL ATTITUDES		Julia D.	5	Bob B.	31
Jim S.	25	Melinda W.	3				

Volunteers Needed

At Central Office!

Sunday Hotline

Office Staff for:

2 shifts daily Mon.-Fri.

10 AM - 1:30 PM

Or

1:30 PM- 5 PM

1 shift Sat. 10 AM - 1 PM

Finance Committee

Treasurer

Office Coordinator

Call (727) 847-0777

Our thanks to a member at Dry Dock for donating a computer for Central Office.

**Al-Anon Hotline
352-697-0497**



2ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING
Saturday, Dec. 17-5pm-8pm

Meet at Starbucks on US 19 and Gulf Drive, NPR then head out to spread holiday cheer at local treatment centers. Last year was a complete success and we are hoping to see even more people get involved this year. ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT: Chris Kelly 727-277-9455.

November Central Office

Niteline calls 63

Office calls 111

Walk-ins 45

The holidays can be stressful times for AAs, especially newcomers. With all the parties and celebrations, there can also be a good deal of imbibing and family tension. At right are 12 tips on how to handle the holidays and make them, well, un-crazy.

Twelve Tips on Keeping Your Holiday Season Sober & Joyous

1. Line up extra AA activities. Arrange to take newcomers to meetings, answer the phones at a clubhouse or central office.
2. Be host to AA friends, especially newcomers.
3. Keep your AA telephone list with you at all times. If a drinking urge comes, call another AA
4. Find out about special holiday parties, meetings, or other celebrations. See Page 1 for information on Alcothons and sober fun on New Year's Eve.
5. Skip any drinking occasion you are nervous about. No office party is as important as saving your life.
6. If you have to go to a drinking party and can't take an AA with you, keep some candy handy. Tempted? Then leave—and use your AA phone numbers.
7. Don't think you have to stay late. Have an excuse ready.
8. Worship in your own way.
9. Don't sit around brooding. Catch up on those books, museums, walks, letters and meetings, meetings, meetings.
10. Don't start now getting worked up about all those holiday temptations. Remember "one day at a time" & "turn it over."
11. Enjoy the true beauty of holiday love and joy. Maybe you cannot give material gifts, but this year, you can give love. Keep in touch with your Higher Power.
12. Remember Dr. Bob's advice: Trust God, Clean House, Help Others. Also, maintain an attitude of gratitude.

More Meeting Updates

New Meeting: Dry Dock Center is the home of a new open discussion meeting at 10 PM Fridays. Name of the group is **Sober Not Dead**. 1733 Alt. US 19, Tarpon Springs.

Pasco Big Book's monthly eating meeting and members' anniversaries meeting features a potluck at 7 PM and speakers meeting at 8, with eight celebrants. Thursday, Dec. 29, at Edna Ave. Club, 7137 Edna Ave., Hudson. Bring a dish if you can.

Amazing Grace Women's Group has switched from a closed to open discussion meeting. 7 PM Fridays at Dry Dock Center, 1733 Alt. US 19, Tarpon Springs.

SUPPORT, PLEASE! These groups would like more participants:

* **Triangle Group**, open Big Book discussion, Noon Fridays, First Baptist Church, 6800 Trouble Creek Rd., NPR.

* **Saturday Noon High**, open discussion meetings, Edna Ave. Club (address above).

* **NPR Kiss Beginners Meeting**, 6:45 PM Mondays, Redeemer Community Church, 7540 Ridge Rd., NPR.

* **Why It Works Group** wants more ladies at its open steps discussion meetings, especially ladies willing to chair. 8 PM Wednesdays, Edna Ave. Club.

Groups Represented at InterGroup 11/9/2011

New Hope Beginners

2 for 1 Women's

Back to Basics

Sober Not Dead

New Life

Noon High

3 & 11 Steps

Not a Glum Lot

Life Recovery

Happier Hour

How Important Is It

District 15 Opportunities

Alt. Chairs Most Committees, including Archives, Corrections, Grapevine, Literature, Treatment & Special Needs.

DCM for Sub-district 1 (all meetings at the A Club, NPR.)

Alt. DCM's for all Sub-Districts

Call Barbara R. (727) 992-5175

3rd Tuesday 6:30 PM. See calendar Pg. 4

Treasurer's Report

November 2011

Beginning Balance.....	\$3,235.33
Income	\$1,394.20
Expenses	\$1,575.90
Ending Balance	\$3,053.63

December 2011

Mystery Phrase

Puzzle

Step/Tradition Twelve

Directions-

Find all the words listed and use the remaining letters to solve the *mystery phrase*. (Hint- circle individual letters that you find to make it easier to see the leftover letters.)

Mystery Phrase:

“Have Happy Holidays While Staying Sober”

By Rain S., Noon High



Finance Committee

2 yrs. sober, 2 yr. term

Treasurer

2 yrs. sober, 2 yr. term

(Call Central Office @

727-847-0777)

Nominations accepted at

InterGroup Meeting 2nd

Wednesday, 6:30 PM at

Central Office

Send a representative of

your group.

H E R O F E B A V E H A P Y
P Y N O I T A D N U O F H R
O L E V L E W T R I E D R R
S P I R I T U A L G I E A A
A G A S D R O S A A M L S C
L N N N Y U E S P I L U E S
C I O O R E S S N E O W L H
O N N I P E C D U M T E P I
H E Y T M L I I Y L H S I L
O K M I E N A N T A T E C S
L A I D G T O C D C A H N T
I W T A Y N E V E R A T I H
C A Y R A F F A I R S R R I
S E I T I L A N O S R E P S
H A V I N G I N G S O B E R

Word List

affairs alcoholics all anonymity
anonymous awakening before carry
ever foundation had having
message our personalities place
Practice principles reminding result
spiritual steps these this
Traditions tried twelve

December Calendar

Dec. 2-4: Edna Ave Club Holiday Silent Auction 7 PM Friday-4 PM Sunday. Donated items wanted. More details on pg. 1.

Dec. 3: Special Needs Committee, District 15, Noon, A Club, NPR. Attend and help alcoholics with physical limitations.

Dec. 10: District 15 Treatment Committee., Noon, A Club, 5650 Missouri, NPR. Join & help carry the message into hospitals, Detox and ACTS. **Women members acutely needed.**

Dec. 10: Visit Neighbors: Hernando Unity Meeting, 7:30-9 PM, Nativity Lutheran Church, 6363 Commercial Way (US 19), Spring Hill. Doors open 6:30 PM.

Dec. 14: WPTSAA InterGroup Meeting, 6:30 PM, Central Office, 6611 US 19, Ste. 505, NPR. Send a representative of your group.

Dec. 15 : 2nd Annual Christmas Caroling 5:00-8:00 P.M. Meet at Starbucks, US 19 and Gulf Drive, NPR at 5 pm, then head out to local treatment centers . More info contact Chris Kelly at 727-277-9455.

Dec. 17: Unity Meeting, 7 PM at Redeemer Community church, 7540 Ridge Rd. NPR, 1 mile E. of Little Rd., S. side. Host: Wonderful Saturday Step Group. Speakers, fellowship, snacks.

Dec. 17: District 15 Corrections & Public Info/-CPC Committees both meet at noon at A Club, 5650 Missouri, NPR. Attend and volunteer.

Dec. 20: District 15 meeting, 6:30 PM, Community Congregational Church, 6533 Circle Blvd., NPR. Come & learn. Every group should be represented. Meeting open to all AAs.

Dec. 24-25: Three Alcothons. See Pg. 1 for details.

Dec. 25: Christmas Dinner 1 PM at the A Club, NPR. Bring a dish if you can. White elephant or gift exchange. \$10 limit. See above for address.

Dec. 31-Jan.1: Three Alcothons. See Pg. 1.

Dec. 29: Pasco Big Book monthly Eating Meeting at 7 PM, followed by Member Anniversaries Speakers Meeting at 8 PM, Edna Club, 7137 Edna Ave., Hudson. "Bring a dish if you can."

Dec. 31-Jan.1: Three Alcothons. See Pg. 1 for details.

Dec. 31: New Year's Eve Dinner Dance, sponsored by Pasco Big Book Group. Gala event with sumptuous catered Italian dinner with varied choices, two DJs. See Pg. 1 for details.

Looking Ahead

Jan. 13-15: First South Florida Area 15 Quarterly Meeting, St. Pete Hilton. Our district is co-hosts with District 1. Volunteers urgently needed as greeters and at registration. Details on Pg. 1.

Jan. 27-28: AA History Workshop, Hope Presbyterian Church, 1698 S. Belcher Rd., Clearwater, with Mel B. and Gail La C. Friday doors open 5 PM, meeting at 7, Saturday 9-6 lunch provided. \$20. Information Phone-Jim 727-251-3188 Maria 727-251-2188. Mel is a much-published writer on AA and Gail is Akron Inter-group activist and was archivist at Dr. Bob's home.

More Looking Ahead at right

More Looking Ahead

Jan. 28-Feb. 4: SoberCruises.com, AA/Al-Anon Caribbean cruise. Key West, Cozumel, Roatan & Montego Bay. More at 1-866-356-8211. Flyers at Central Office or on line: sobercruises.com.

Feb. 11: Tri-County Central Office 37th annual dinner. Dinner 6 PM, two speakers 7 PM. Christ the King Church, 821 Dale Mabry Hwy S., Tampa. 250 person limit. Tickets \$10 at Tri-County Central Office or at door.

March 9-12: Annual Housecleaning spiritual retreat for AA & Al-Anon, Yale Lake Baptist Conference Center, Leesburg, FL.

April 5-9: Australian AA National Convention, Melbourne Convention Centre, Registration & Information online: www.melbourne2012.org. Printable flyers available online.

April 20-23: Weekend Spring Fling Gratitude Cruise on Royal Caribbean's Monarch of the Seas. Cape Canaveral-Nausau. Early booking rates 'til Feb. 15. Daily step meetings. Info: Alex 772-979-6352 or at GoAllOutTravel.com. Roommate referrals when available.

June 8-10: Great Events Will Come To Pass celebrating the 77th Anniversary of AA, presented by Sandy B., Tampa, FL and Bob B., St. Paul, MN. 3 days of history, steps & stories. Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel 111 W. Fortune Street, Tampa, FL. Info call Lee Y. at 407-333-4330 or email leescds@gmail.com.

Aug. 1-5: 56th Florida State Convention, Innisbrook Golf Resort, 36750 U.S. Hwy. 19 N., Palm Harbor. **Many volunteers** will be needed. Contact Barbara R., District chair. See pg. 1 for her phone and email. Visit www.56.flstateconvention.com for details!

Step 12 By the Books The Big Book

"**Practical Experience** Shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail. This is our *twelfth suggestion*: Carry this message to other alcoholics! You can help when no one else can..."

"**Life will take** on new meaning...to see a fellowship grow up about you, to have a host of friends—this is an experience you must not miss...Frequent contact with newcomers and with each other is the bright spot of our lives." —Alcoholics Anonymous Pg. 89

Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions

"**Having had a spiritual awakening** as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and to practice these principles in all our affairs. The joy of living is the theme of A.A's Twelfth Step... action is the key word...Here we experience the kind of giving that asks no rewards...the kind of love that has no price tag on it." (Pg. 106) "True ambition is the deep desire to live usefully and walk humbly under the grace of God." (Pgs. 124-125)

Group Contributions 2011 (Those received too late for a month will be posted the next month.)

GROUP DONATIONS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
000617577-015	37.80									2.20			40.00
678657								50.00					50.00
1001 Reasons						25.00							25.00
2 for 1 Women's Step Study		20.00		15.00					12.76				47.76
3 & 11 Group				20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00		160.00
4th Dimension							100.00			101.00			201.00
7 & Up Group	50.00							25.00					75.00
A Club 12 & 12													-
A Club Big Book													-
A Club Joe & Charlie Tapes													-
A Club Saturday AM Big Book	30.00			50.00									80.00
A Club Sunday AM Gratitude	100.00			100.00			50.00						250.00
AA Way Group													-
Along Spiritual Lines													-
Amazing Grace			32.50										32.50
Anonymous	11.65		3.90	0.50	0.50		1.15	1.40	0.80				19.90
As Bill Sees It				25.00						25.00			50.00
Back to Basics							90.00						90.00
Bayou Group													-
Beach Group							37.40						37.40
Brown Baggers	20.00			20.00	20.00				20.00				80.00
Came to Believe	25.00			25.00									50.00
Candlelight Beginners													-
Cor, Rope, Hope											5.00		5.00
Cotee River Young People													-
Discover the Truth													-
District 15													-
Dry Dock					24.00								24.00
Each Day New Beginning			20.00					25.00					45.00
Easier Softer Way													-
Edna Ave. Club 12 & 12													-
Edna Ave. Joe & Charlie Tapes													-
Friday Night Live													-
Friday Night Serenity													-
Grapevine													-
Happier Hour					250.00				325.00				575.00
Happy Joyous & Free													-
Hoot n Holler Group													-
How Important Is It	48.00			48.00			56.00			80.00			232.00
Intergroup	22.00		20.00	18.00	15.50	13.00	15.00	16.00		16.50	12.00		148.00
James Gang				10.00							10.00		20.00
KIS Women's Group							60.00			25.00			85.00
Let's Get Better Together				102.00		103.00							205.00
L.I.F.E. Recovery			12.00										12.00
Life Discussion Group					70.00		40.00						110.00
Living Sober					70.00			50.00			50.00		170.00
Living Sober Study Group				25.00									25.00
Men Only													-
Men's Lets Talk									80.00	4.50			84.50
Miracle Group									50.00				50.00
Monday Night Big Book		25.00						50.00					75.00
Morning Inventory													-
New Hope Beginners	25.00		25.00		25.00			25.00		0.90			100.90
New Life Group													-
Noon High		60.00	30.00			40.00	35.00			55.00			220.00
Not a Glum Lot	10.00	10.00	10.00		10.00	20.00		20.00					80.00
NPR KISS Group		10.00	20.00	10.00		10.00	10.00		20.00		20.00		100.00
Pasco Big Book	40.00			60.00			60.00						160.00
Serenity Group					178.00								178.00
Grapevine													-
Sunday Morning Gratitude										50.00	50.00		100.00
Surrender Group													-
Thursday 12 & 12													-
Triangle Group													-
Tropical Attitudes	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00		60.00	60.00	60.00		25.00	25.00		470.00
Two or More	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	95.00		200.00		150.00	80.00	85.00		1,010.00
Unity Meeting	20.00	45.25	52.13		59.20	16.10	42.16	23.90	38.51	80.00			377.25
Why It Works						10.00		20.00			30.00		60.00
Wonderful Step Group									50.00				50.00
TOTALS	\$599.45	\$330.25	\$385.53	\$688.50	\$837.20	\$317.10	\$876.71	\$386.30	\$767.07	\$565.10	\$307.00	\$0.00	\$6,060.21

Please keep in mind the seventh tradition: Every A. A. group ought to be fully self supporting, declining outside contributions. That means Central Office is supported by your group contributions. Thanks for your support!